

## IT IS THE UNEXPECTED

PECULIAR ACCIDENTS THAT HAVE BEEN RECORDED.

**Queer Occurrences Brought to Light by Accident Insurance Books—No One Exempt From Injury—Insurance News.**

The literature of accident insurance is full of illustrations of the fact that in the matter of accidents the unexpected is constantly happening. Not even the most careful man is exempt from personal injury, resulting from causes not within his control.

A man in Brooklyn was laid up with a bad cold. He applied turpentine to his chest, covering it with cotton. Upon this being removed, spontaneous combustion took place, burning him so badly that he was totally incapacitated from following his daily avocation for several weeks.

A man overtook himself one morning and, hurriedly getting into his coat, he was trampled on by a horse and fell down stairs, sustaining fatal injuries. Three days later he was a dead man.

A few months ago a professional man in New York city was watching the firing up of a steam boiler in his house, a tank, or the head of one, struck him in the eye, causing serious injury.

A man took his dog to the river to drown it. The animal was not prepared for its fate, and, instead of going down, it jumped out of the water and fell into the arms of a woman who was standing nearby.

The minister in a church was so affected by a woman's beauty that he forgot his part in the service. He was so much attracted by her that he forgot his part in the service.

The ice dealer was burned by the upsetting of a lamp, and the school teacher was burned by falling from the top of a ladder.

The insurance agent broke his leg by falling into an open ditch, while the contractor was shot by a boy on a hand sled.

The bookkeeper broke a finger raising a window. The glazier was gored by a bull running loose in a field.

The machinist broke his nose cutting a wheel. The electrician tripped on a raised plank in the sidewalk.

The treasurer of a city mangled his fingers in the gate of a planing mill, while a wheel turned his hand in the machinery of a shoddy mill.

A drugist broke his thumb cleaning a bicycle, while a dry goods clerk lost his eye by striking his head against a door.

A stockbroker was thrown from a horse; a medical student was thrown from a chair; a piano tuner was thrown from a street car; and a merchant and a physician were thrown from a horse.

The unexpected always happens.

**FOR INSURED SOLDIERS.**

The newer insurance companies are shy about assuming war risks.

These days.

The new companies all refuse to write on any basis whatever any more policies where the policyholder intends to serve in the army or navy during the present war.

Spain.

The Bankers' Life of Des Moines, Ia., say their old policies will not be affected by the policyholder's going to war. New policies, however, will not be issued to those who enlist in the army or navy.

The Bankers' Life of Kansas City charges 5 per cent additional on the most insurable policies issued to those who intend to go to war.

The Southern Mutual Association has adopted the same plan as the Bankers' Life of Kansas City.

The Southwestern Life has waived the war clause in all old policies forbidding policyholders to go to war and does not charge an extra premium for those who intend to go to war.

**K. C. L. U. Meeting.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Kansas City Life Underwriters' Association is called for 12 o'clock noon, Monday, at the Midland hotel. The usual lunch will be served to the members, and will be followed by routine business.

There are several matters of importance to come before this meeting which will be embraced in the report of the executive committee. Secrecy, however, having been pledged at the last meeting, we are unable to obtain the details of the publication. It is rumored that the association has something on tap in the way of a surprise for the convention hall.

**Kansas City Men at St. Joseph.**

John A. Bryant, Milo E. Lawrence, A. E. Pinkney, W. J. Underwood, and W. J. Baird were among the Kansas City people who attended the convention of the State Association of Local Fire Insurance Agents at St. Joseph, held on the 11th and 12th inst.

**Kansas City Insurance Notes.**

President H. S. Halbert, of the Southwestern, and State Senator Kearney, of Marshalltown, Ia., were in the city last week.

## UNCLE BILLY WHITE HURT.

**Veteran Flagman Knocked Down and Seriously Injured by a Run-away Team.**

"Uncle Billy" White, who has served the Metropolitan Street Railway Company in the capacity of flagman ever since its first tracks were laid, and who has for many years been stationed on the Twelfth and Walnut streets, was yesterday knocked down by a runaway horse and cart, and is seriously injured.

The accident occurred about 2 p. m., when the horse, which had been standing in front of the Metropolitan street car, started to run north. The flagman was in a stooping posture when the rig struck him and knocked him down, fracturing his right thigh, inflicting three bad scalp wounds on the right side of his head and badly bruising his back.

The injured man was taken to the Central police station, where his wounds were treated by Acting Assistant Police Surgeon E. J. Boeber, after which he was taken to St. Joseph's hospital, where he is now lying.

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## WOMEN'S CLUB WORK

**PLANS FOR ANNUAL FEDERATION CONVENTION AT SPRINGFIELD.**

Directors and Committees of the State Federation—Close of the Atheneum's Club Year—Work for the Coming Year.

The Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs is sending out the following letter: Dear Madam President—The board of directors of the state federation, through its executive committee, sends greetings, with a summary of plans for the year.

Believing that the best results can be attained only through unanimity of feeling and effort, we invite you to a consideration of the subjects presented and an earnest co-operation toward that great success which smilingly beckons us onward.

At the meeting of the directors held in Kansas City, April 25, time was given for a faithful study of the club life of our state, not only as represented through the federation, but as a whole, since the clubs which are not yet identified with us may become our working allies at no distant day.

One of the strongest resolutions adopted by each director considered herself a committee of one to promote better acquaintance among the clubs of her own locality and to work for general club membership—a work in which every club member should be interested.

Our federated clubs may acquaint themselves fully with the plan for free traveling by the use of the "Traveling Club" which will be given to the club members at the annual convention to be held at Springfield, November 10-12, inclusive, has been outlined as follows:

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## Smiling Faces

**Sweet Greetings that Keep the Home Happy.**

It is hard to smile when the body is racked with pain.

It's hard to smile when the body is aching, the head throbbing, and the body is full of pain. The thing to do is to help yourself of the aches and pains, and you will find you can smile.

The Munsy Homeopathic Remedies, made of pure herbs and minerals, are a reliable remedy for all kinds of aches and pains, and are sold everywhere.

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## LEAPED TO HIS DEATH

**STANLEY HUTCHINSON, A REPORTER, ENDS HIS LIFE.**

He Plunged Through a Window on an Incoming Union Pacific Train—Wanted to Quit Drinking—Neck Was Broken.

Stanley Hutchinson, a stenographer and newspaper reporter from Chicago, plunged through the open window of a coach on the Denver fast express on the Union Pacific railroad while the train was bowling along at fifty miles an hour, at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon three miles east of Lawrence, Kas. He was picked up by the trainmen and brought to this city, placed in a ambulance while he waited for the arrival of the hospital.

His neck was broken and he was otherwise terribly injured.

"I have been drinking all my life and got tired of it and decided to end it all," was the explanation he made to the trainmen who ministered to his comfort while the train sped away to the city after he was picked up. Further than that he made no explanation for his act.

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